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Labour Force, Australia

Headline estimates of employment, unemployment, underemployment, participation and hours worked from the monthly Labour Force Survey

Reference period April 2024

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Key statistics

In trend terms, in April 2024:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.0%.
- participation rate remained at 66.7%.
- employment increased to 14,289,600.
- employment to population ratio remained at 64.0%.
- underemployment rate remained at 6.6%.
- monthly hours worked increased to 1,955 million.

In seasonally adjusted terms, in April 2024:

- unemployment rate increased to 4.1%.

- participation rate increased to 66.7%.
- employment increased to 14,300,000.
- employment to population ratio remained at 64.0%.
- underemployment rate increased to 6.6%.
- monthly hours worked remained at 1,962 million.
- full-time employment decreased by 6,100 to 9,845,300 people.
- part-time employment increased by 44,600 to 4,454,700 people.

Key statistics - Trend

| | Mar-24 | Apr-24 | Monthly change | Monthly change (%) | Yearly change | Yearly change (%) |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Employed people | 14,258,700 | 14,289,600 | 30,900 | 0.2% | 355,200 | 2.5% |
| Unemployed people | 589,000 | 592,800 | 3,900 | 0.7% | 75,800 | 14.7% |
| Unemployment rate | 4.0% | 4.0% | 0.0 pts | na | 0.4 pts | na |
| Underemployment rate | 6.6% | 6.6% | 0.0 pts | na | 0.3 pts | na |
| Participation rate | 66.7% | 66.7% | 0.0 pts | na | 0.1 pts | na |
| Monthly hours worked in all jobs | 1,947 million | 1,955 million | 8 million | 0.4% | 19 million | 1.0% |

Key statistics - Seasonally adjusted

| | Mar-24 | Apr-24 | Monthly change | Monthly change (%) | Yearly change | Yearly change (%) |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Employed people | 14,261,500 | 14,300,000 | 38,500 | 0.3% | 394,300 | 2.7% |
| Unemployed people | 573,900 | 604,200 | 30,300 | 5.3% | 72,700 | 13.7% |
| Unemployment rate | 3.9% | 4.1% | 0.2 pts | na | 0.4 pts | na |
| Underemployment rate | 6.5% | 6.6% | 0.2 pts | na | 0.4 pts | na |
| Participation rate | 66.6% | 66.7% | 0.1 pts | na | 0.2 pts | na |
| Monthly hours worked in all jobs | 1,962 million | 1,962 million | 0 million | 0.0% | -15 million | -0.8% |

Estimates of changes throughout this release are calculated using un-rounded level estimates and may be different from, but are more accurate than, movements obtained from the rounded level estimates.

For definitions of labour statistics used in this publication, please refer to [Glossary of Labour Force, Australia methodology \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/apr-2024#glossary\)](#).

Survey impacts and changes

Release of modelled regional labour force estimates

The ABS has published new monthly modelled SA4 level estimates in the [March 2024 release of Labour Force, Australia, Detailed \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/mar-2024\)](#). The next release of these estimates will be on 30 May 2024.



The ABS recommends using the modelled estimates over the direct survey estimates whenever possible in reporting on regional labour markets.

Seasonal adjustment and trend estimates

The Annual Series Review (ASR) of the Labour Force series was conducted on estimates up to February 2024. Minor revisions have been made to the Labour Force estimates as a result of this review.

While seasonal factors for the complete time series are re-estimated each month as part of concurrent seasonal adjustment, they are reviewed annually at a more detailed level. The ASR utilises the context gained from an additional year of original data to assess the appropriateness of seasonal adjustment parameters and prior corrections.

For further information on the seasonal adjustment and trend estimations used in the Labour Force Survey please refer to [Labour Force, Australia methodology \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/apr-2024\)](#) and [Seasonal adjustment and changing seasonality in Labour Force statistics \(/articles/seasonal-adjustment-and-changing-seasonality-labour-force-statistics\)](#) in this release.

New Labour Force Survey sample phase-in

As of April 2024, all sample is now selected from an updated sample frame with information from the 2021 Census. This concludes the phase-in period of the updated sample frame between September 2023 and April 2024.

For more information please refer to [Sample Design of Labour Force, Australia Methodology \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/apr-2024#sample-design\)](#).

Survey response and timeline

The April Labour Force Survey was run in respect of the two weeks from Sunday 31 March to Saturday 13 April, and collected over the period from Sunday 7 April to Saturday 27 April. Easter in 2024 was between Friday 29 March to Monday 1 April, which most closely aligned in recent years with Easter 2018 (Friday 30 March to Monday 2 April).

The ABS would like to thank Australians for their continued support in responding to our surveys, given how critically important this information is.

Reference and Enumeration Dates

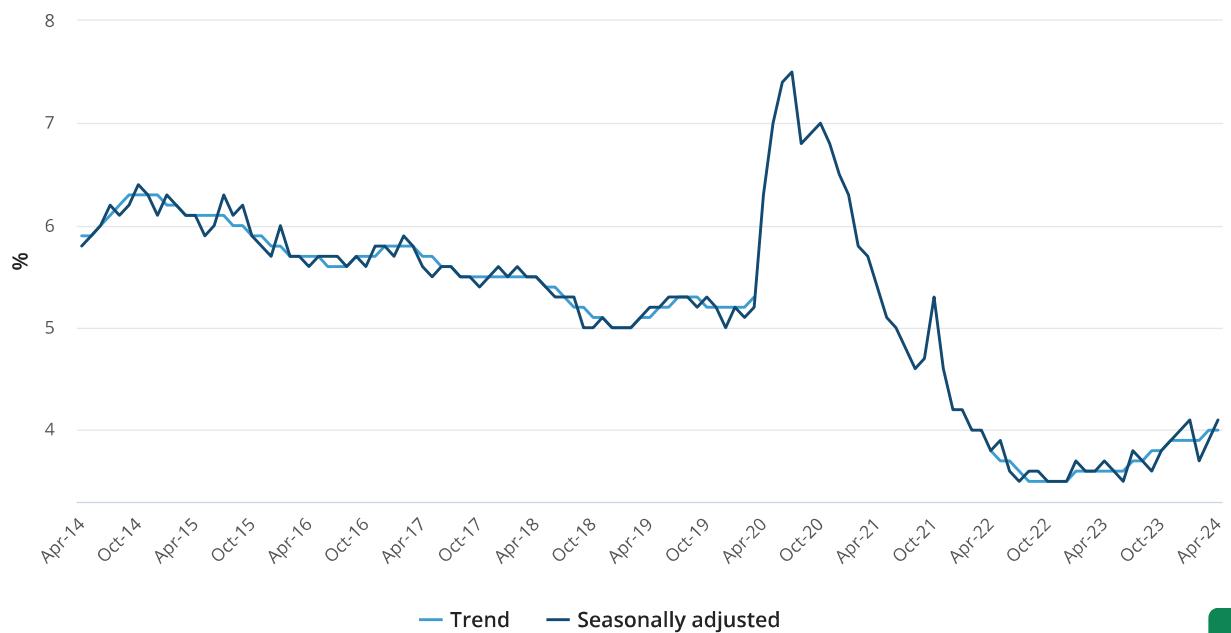
| Publication | Start of Reference Week | End of Reference Week | Start of Enumeration | End of Enumeration |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Mar-24 | 3rd March 2024 | 16th March 2024 | 10th March 2024 | 30th March 2024 |
| Apr-24 | 31st March 2024 | 13th April 2024 | 7th April 2024 | 27th April 2024 |
| May-24 | 28th April 2024 | 11th May 2024 | 5th May 2024 | 25th May 2024 |
| Jun-24 | 2nd June 2024 | 15th June 2024 | 9th June 2024 | 29th June 2024 |
| Jul-24 | 30th June 2024 | 13th July 2024 | 7th July 2024 | 27th July 2024 |
| Aug-24 | 4th August 2024 | 17th August 2024 | 11th August 2024 | 31st August 2024 |

Unemployment

In trend terms, in April 2024:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.0%.
- unemployed people increased by 3,900 to 592,800.
- youth unemployment rate remained at 9.6%.

Unemployment rate



Large month-to-month changes occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in multiple trend breaks. The ABS recommends caution when using trend estimates published in spreadsheets in this release for this period. Information on trend breaks can be found in [Labour Force, Australia methodology, April 2024 \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/apr-2024\)](#).



Employment

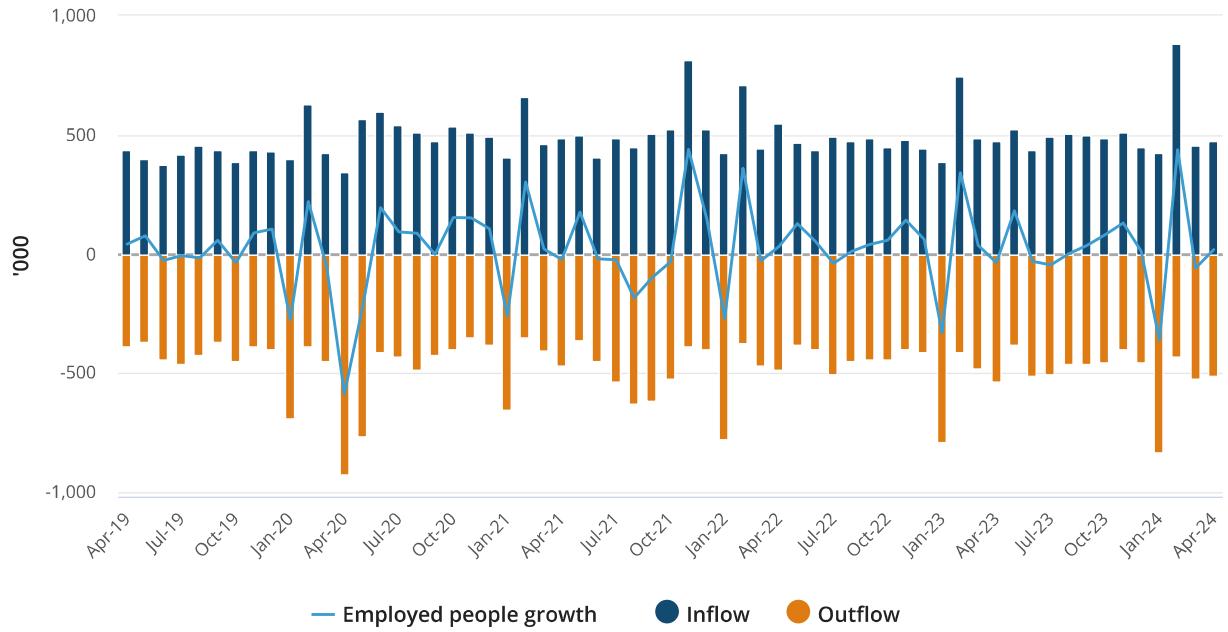
In trend terms, in April 2024, employment increased by 30,900 people (0.2%) to 14,289,600 people.

Flows into and out of employment

Flows into and out of employment are extensive and are based on the net matched sample of original employment growth between two consecutive months (around 80% of the sample). The (net) sum of the inflows and outflows does not necessarily equal the 'net' employment growth.

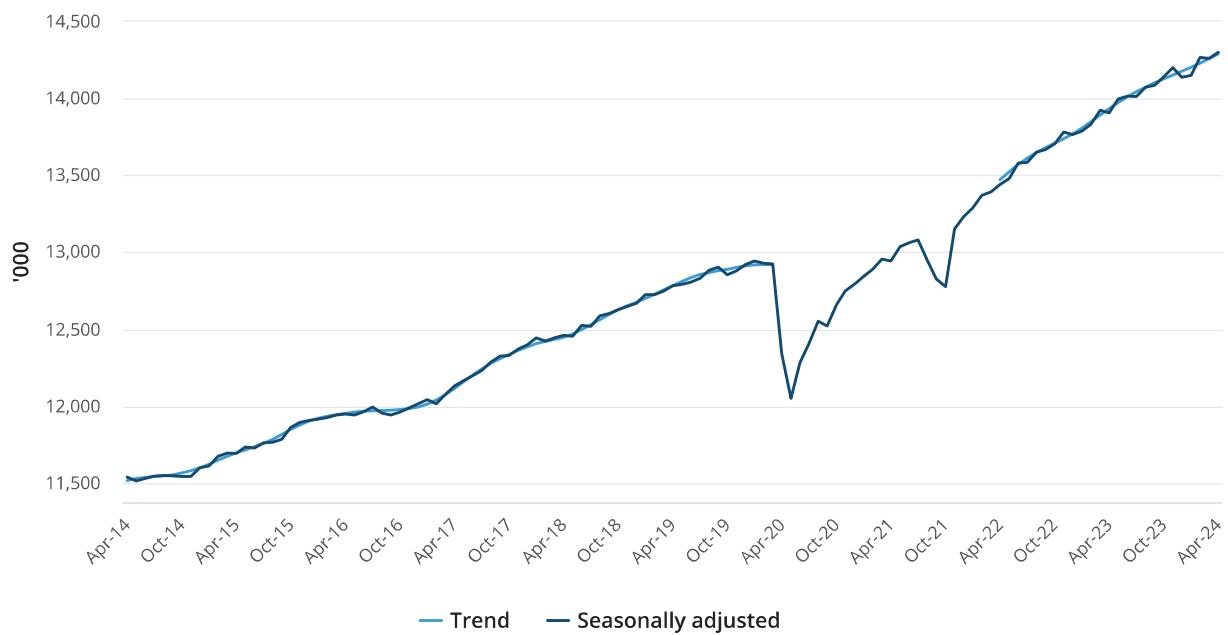
For April 2024, the net change in the number of employed people is the result of around 477,000 people entering employment (i.e. they were not employed in March 2024 but were employed in April 2024), while around 509,000 people left employment (i.e. they were employed in March 2024 but not employed in April 2024). This contrasts with March 2024, where around 453,000 people entered employment and around 521,000 people left employment.

Monthly inflows, outflows and employment growth, Original



Employed people

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Full-time and part-time employment

In trend terms, in April 2024:

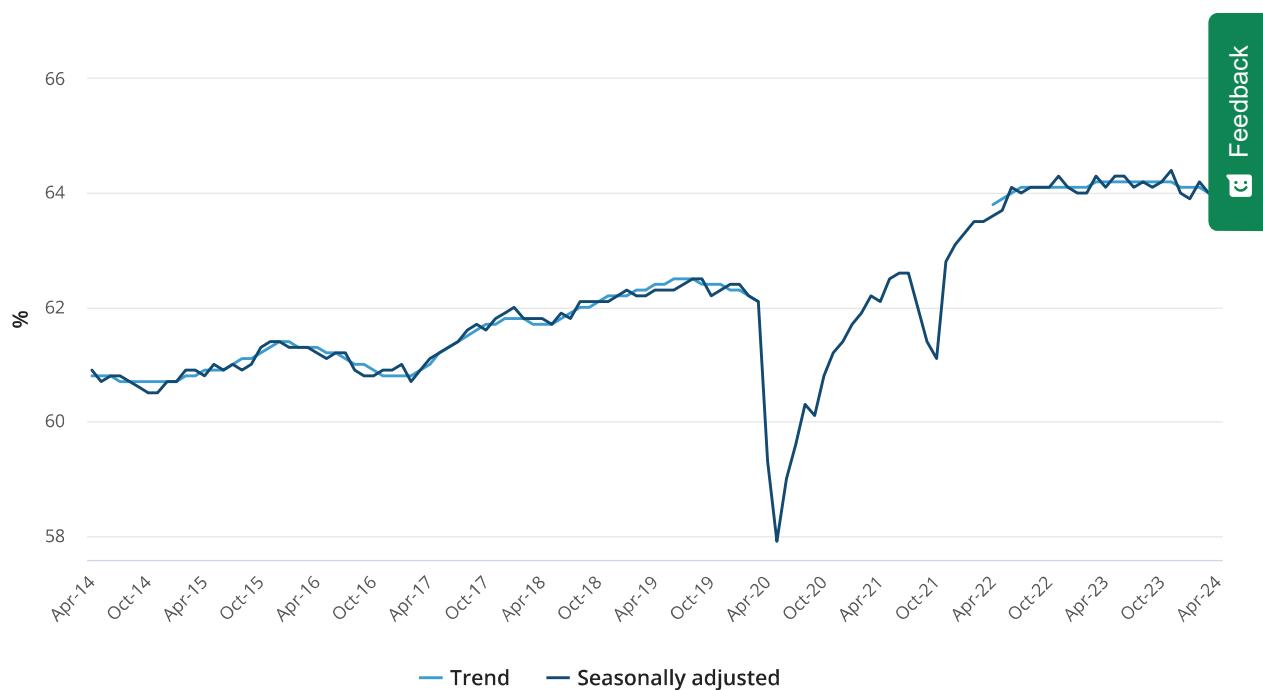
- full-time employment increased by 19,600 to 9,847,700 people, and part-time employment increased by 11,300 to 4,441,900 people.
- part-time share of employment was 31.1%.

Employment-to-population ratio

In trend terms, in April 2024, the employment-to-population ratio remained at 64.0%.

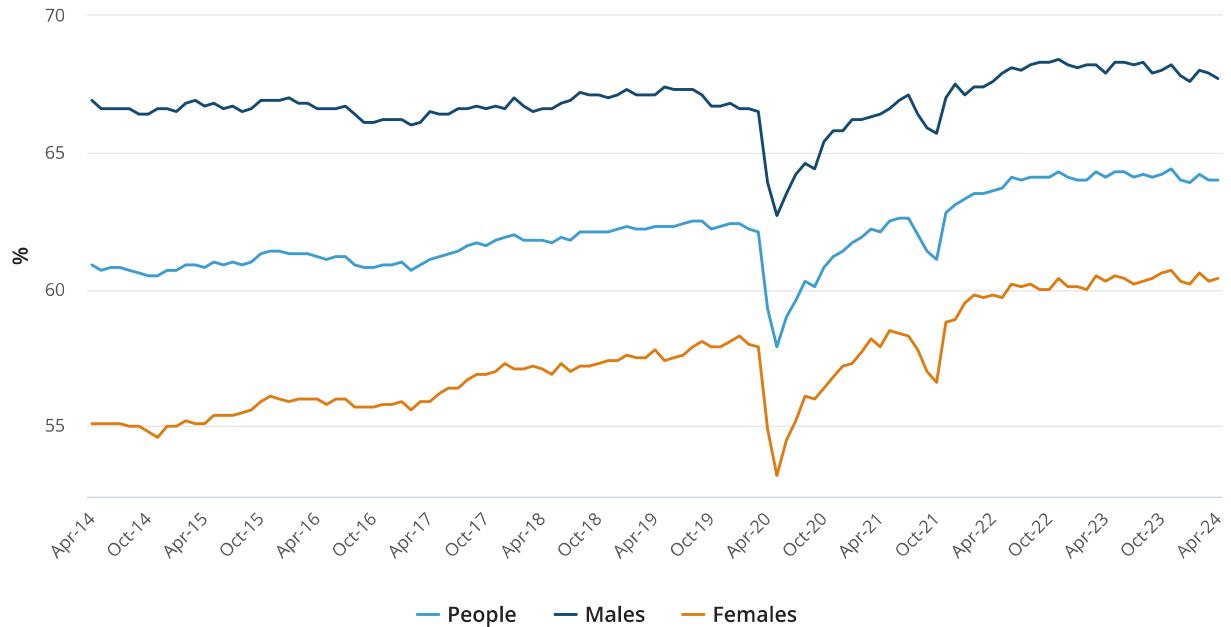
The employment-to-population ratio provides a measure of employment relative to the size of the population.

Employment-to-population ratio



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Employment-to-population ratio, Seasonally adjusted

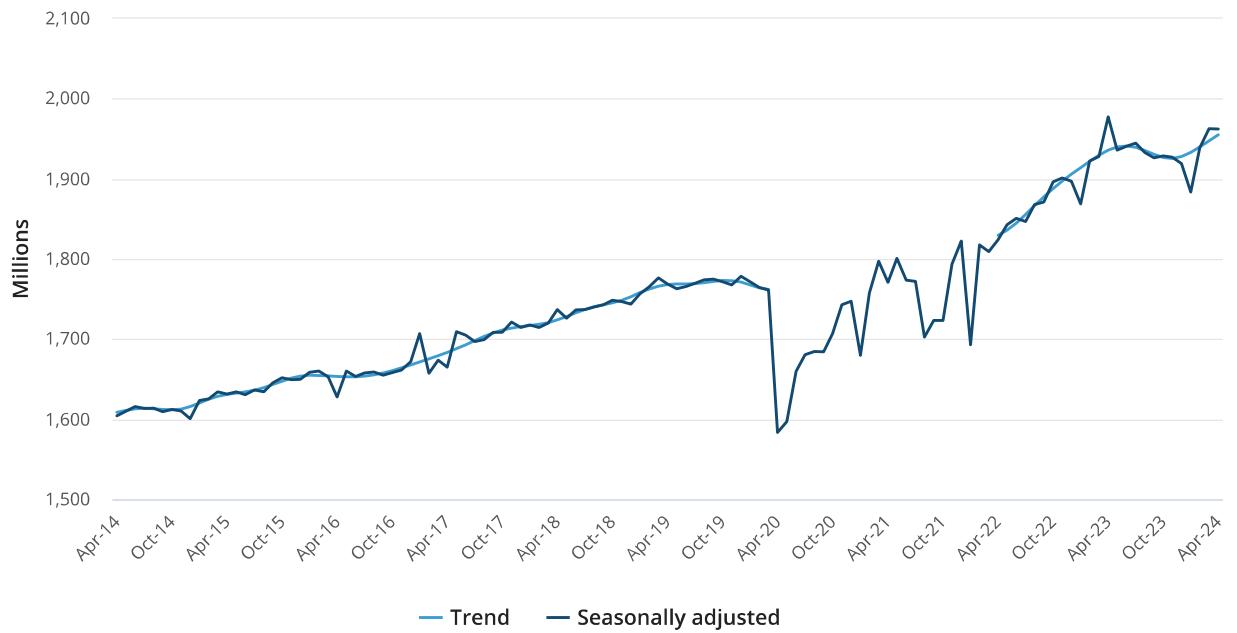


Hours worked

In trend terms, in April 2024, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 7.6 million hours (0.4%) to 1,955 million hours.

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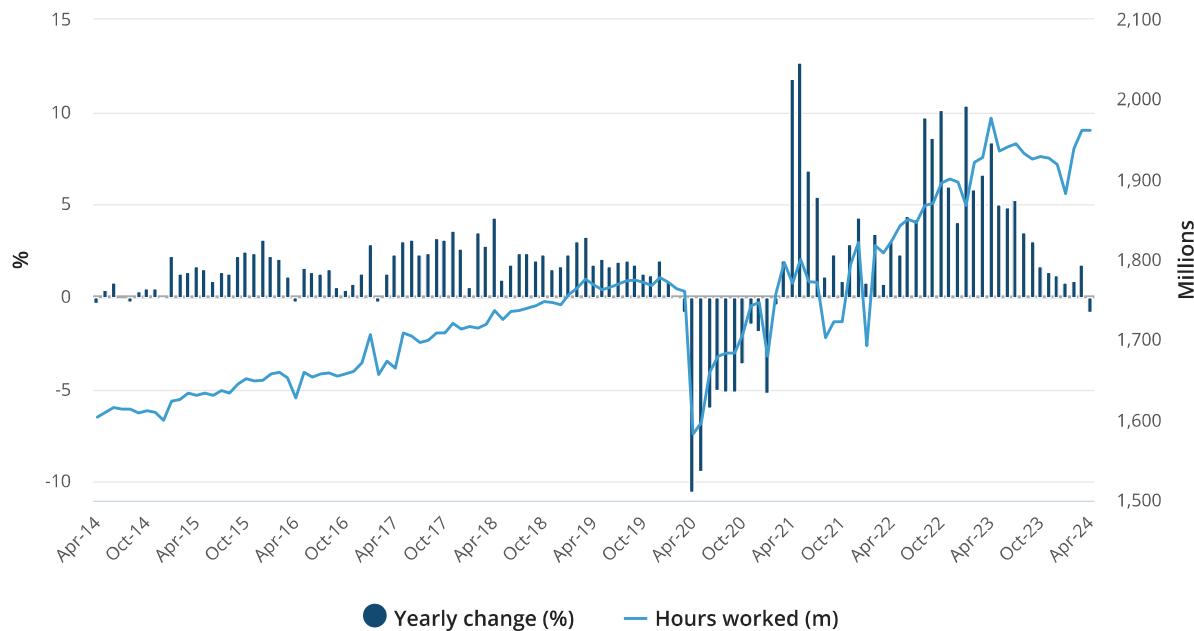
Monthly hours worked in all jobs



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Monthly hours worked in all jobs, Seasonally adjusted





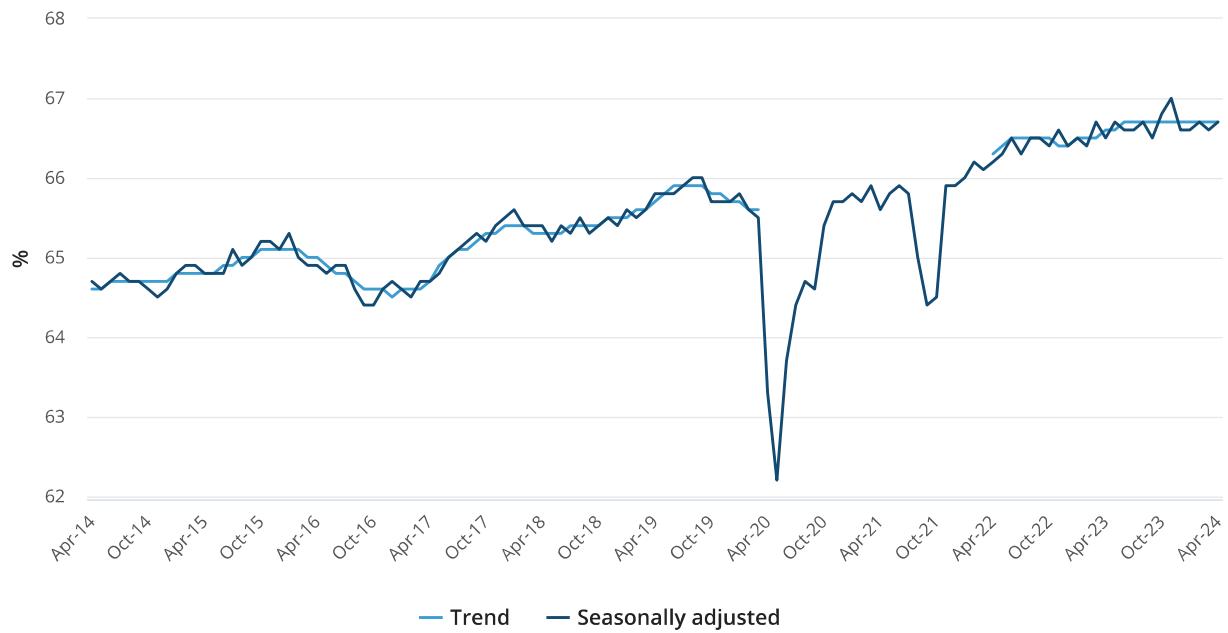
Participation

In trend terms, in April 2024, the participation rate:

- remained at 66.7%.
- remained at 70.7% for men and remained at 62.8% for women.

Participation rate

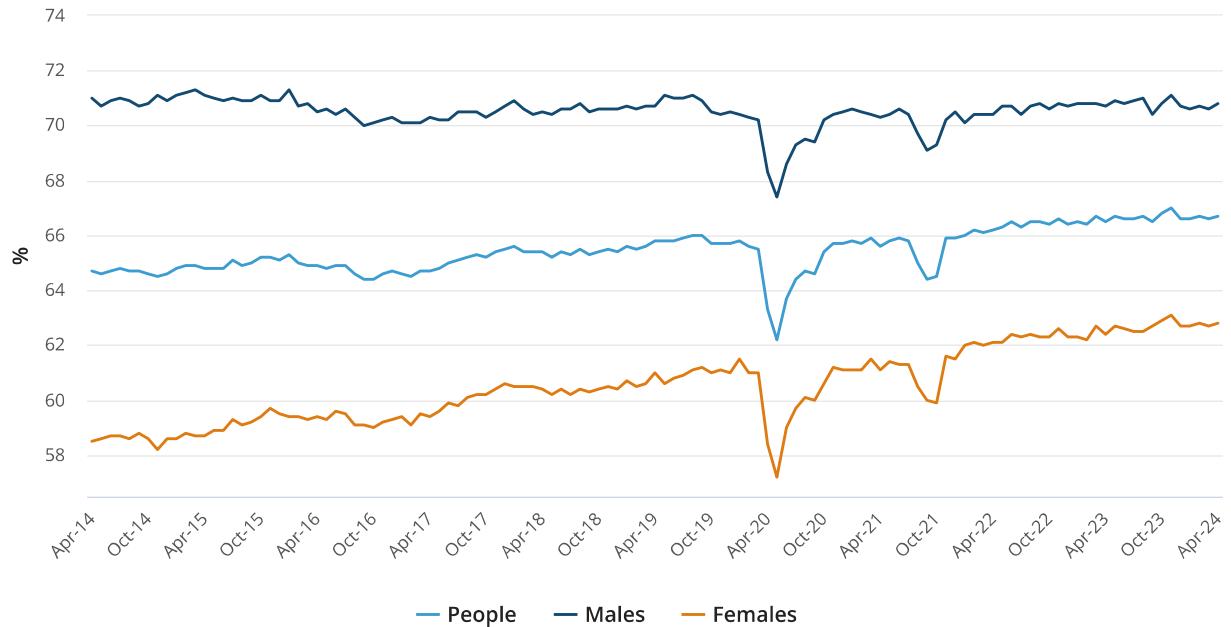
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Participation rate, Seasonally adjusted

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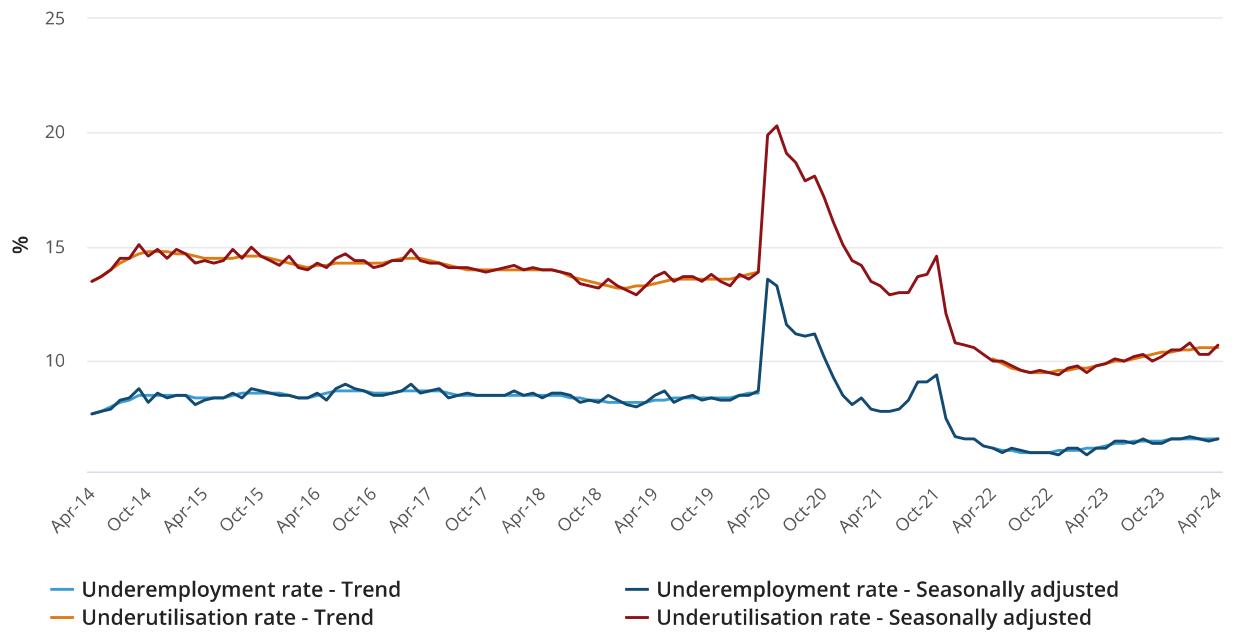
Underemployment

In trend terms, in April 2024:

- underemployment rate remained at 6.6%.
- underutilisation rate remained at 10.6%.

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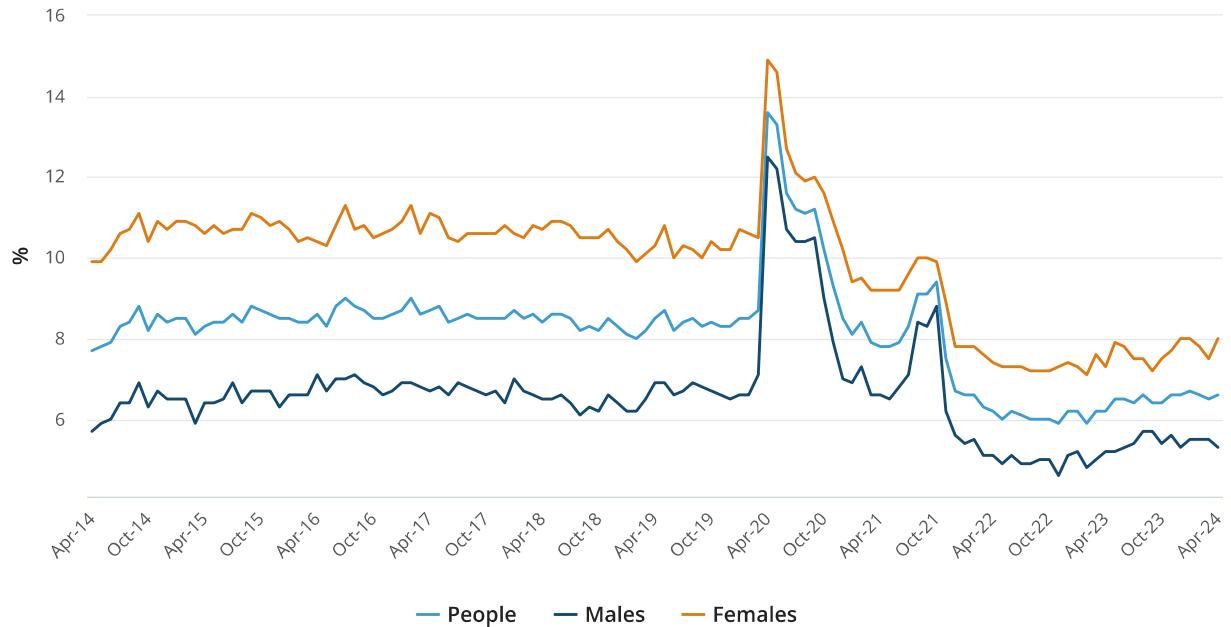
Underemployment rate and underutilisation rate



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Underemployment rate, Seasonally adjusted

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States and Territories

April 2024 - Trend

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| | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Northern Territory | Australian Capital Territory | Australia |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Employed people | 4,426,200 | 3,712,500 | 2,928,300 | 940,300 | 1,592,400 | 281,900 | 139,500 | 267,400 | |
| Employed people - monthly change | 0.1% | 0.3% | 0.4% | -0.1% | 0.2% | 0.1% | 0.3% | 0.4% | |
| Employment to population ratio | 63.4% | 64.5% | 64.3% | 60.2% | 66.0% | 58.5% | 70.6% | 69.3% | |
| Employment to population ratio - monthly change | -0.1 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.1 pts | -0.2 pts | -0.1 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.1 pts | 0.1 pts | |
| Unemployment rate | 3.9% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 4.0% | 3.8% | 4.0% | 4.1% | 3.9% | |
| Unemployment rate - monthly change | 0.0 pts | 0.1 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | -0.1 pts | -0.1 pts | |
| Underemployment rate | 6.4% | 7.1% | 6.8% | 7.3% | 5.6% | 7.6% | 3.7% | 5.5% | |
| Underemployment rate - monthly change | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | -0.1 pts | 0.1 pts | -0.1 pts | 0.1 pts | |
| Participation rate | 65.9% | 67.3% | 67.1% | 62.7% | 68.6% | 61.0% | 73.6% | 72.0% | |

| | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Northern Territory | Australian Capital Territory | Australia |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Participation rate - monthly change | -0.1 pts | 0.1 pts | 0.1 pts | -0.2 pts | -0.1 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.1 pts | |

April 2024 - Seasonally adjusted

| | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Northern Territory | Australian Capital Territory | Australia |
|---|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Employed people | 4,425,500 | 3,716,900 | 2,950,100 | 939,400 | 1,588,200 | 282,000 | 138,200 | 269,000 | |
| Employed people - monthly change | -0.1% | 0.3% | 1.6% | 0.0% | -0.9% | -0.2% | -1.0% | 0.4% | |
| Employment to population ratio | 63.4% | 64.6% | 64.8% | 60.2% | 65.8% | 58.5% | 69.8% | 69.7% | |
| Employment to population ratio - monthly change | -0.2 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.8 pts | -0.1 pts | -0.8 pts | -0.1 pts | -0.9 pts | 0.1 pts | |
| Unemployment rate | 4.0% | 4.2% | 4.1% | 4.2% | 3.9% | 4.1% | 4.1% | 3.8% | |
| Unemployment rate - monthly change | 0.2 pts | 0.2 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.3 pts | 0.5 pts | 0.3 pts | 0.3 pts | 0.9 pts | |
| Underemployment rate | 6.4% | 6.8% | 6.9% | 7.3% | 5.4% | 7.7% | 3.7% | 5.5% | |
| Underemployment rate - monthly change | -0.3 pts | -0.4 pts | 0.9 pts | 0.2 pts | 0.0 pts | 0.4 pts | -0.6 pts | 0.0 pts | |
| Participation rate | 66.0% | 67.5% | 67.5% | 62.8% | 68.5% | 61.0% | 72.8% | 72.4% | |
| Participation rate - monthly change | -0.1 pts | 0.1 pts | 0.8 pts | 0.1 pts | -0.5 pts | 0.0 pts | -0.6 pts | 0.8 pts | |



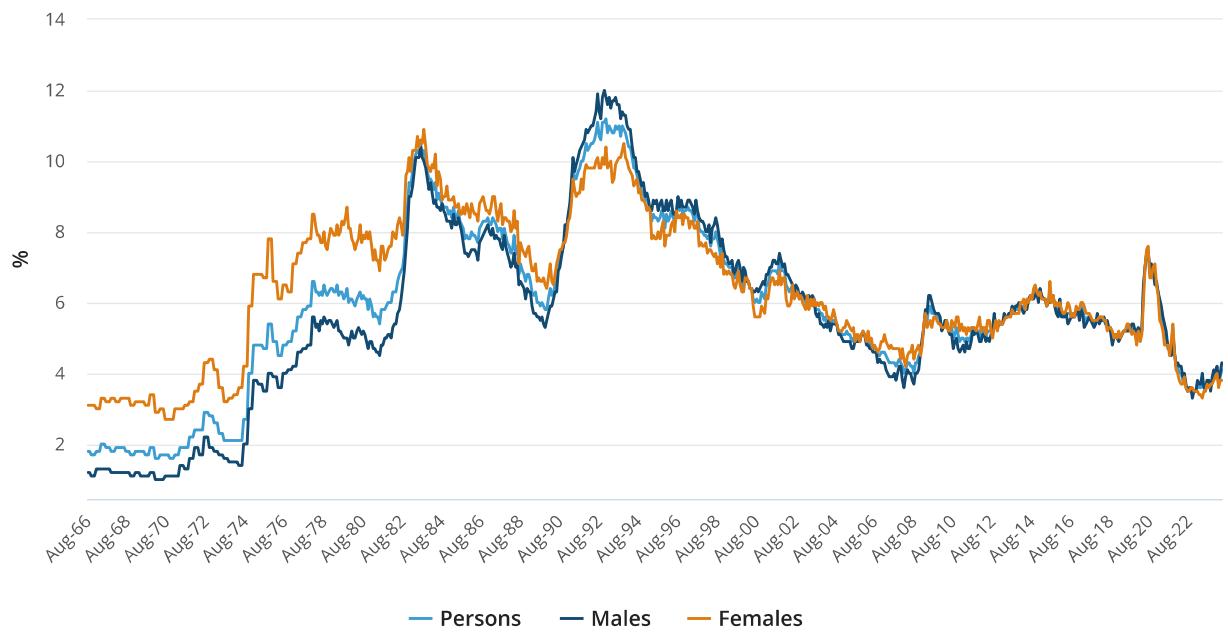
Historical charts

Historical charts for employed, unemployed, unemployment rate and participation rate from August 1966 to April 2024

Historical Labour Force estimates of employment, unemployment rate, and participation rate from the historical quarterly and monthly Labour Force Survey.

Prior to 1978 the historical Labour Force Survey was collected quarterly; the current Labour Force Survey is collected monthly. Please refer to the [history of changes \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/apr-2024#history-of-changes\)](#) to see the differences between the historical and current Labour Force Survey.

Unemployment rate, Australia, August 1966 to April 2024, Seasonally adjusted

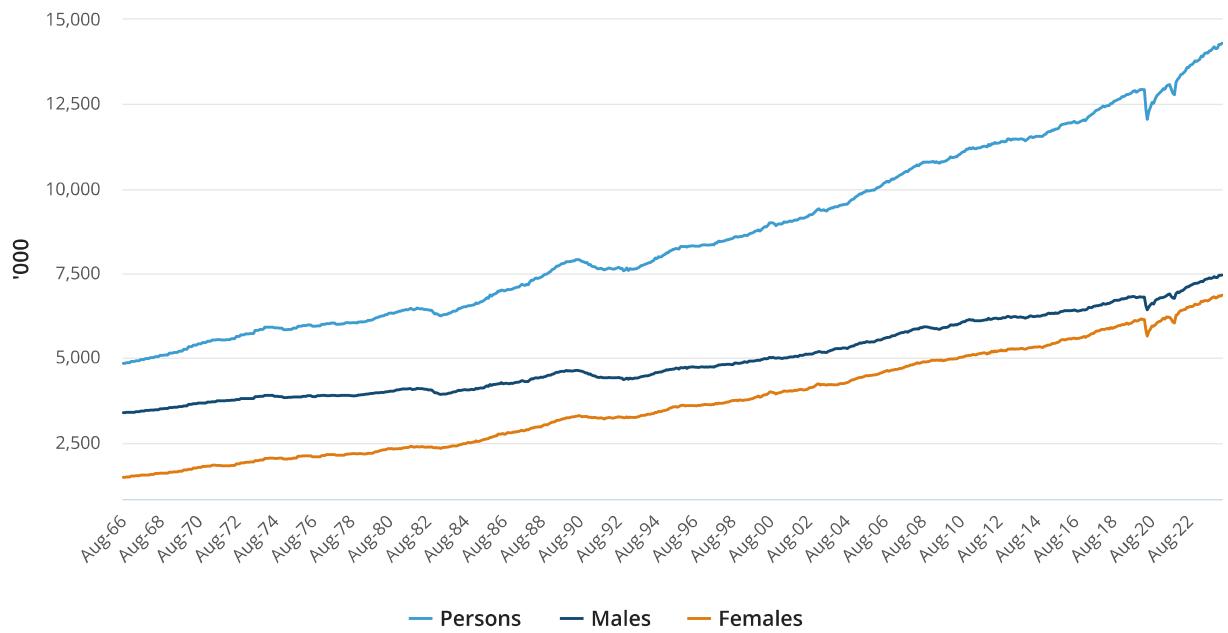


February 1978 to April 2024 estimated monthly, before February 1978 estimated quarterly

Source: [6204.0.55.001 Labour Force Historical Timeseries, Australia, 1966-1984, Seasonally adjusted estimates of the labour force by sex and marital status - 1966-1977 \(https://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/DetailsPage/6204.0.55.0011966%20to%201984?OpenDocument\)](https://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/DetailsPage/6204.0.55.0011966%20to%201984?OpenDocument), and [6202.0 Labour Force, Australia, Table 1 \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#data-downloads\)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#data-downloads).

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Employed people, Australia, August 1966 to April 2024, Seasonally adjusted

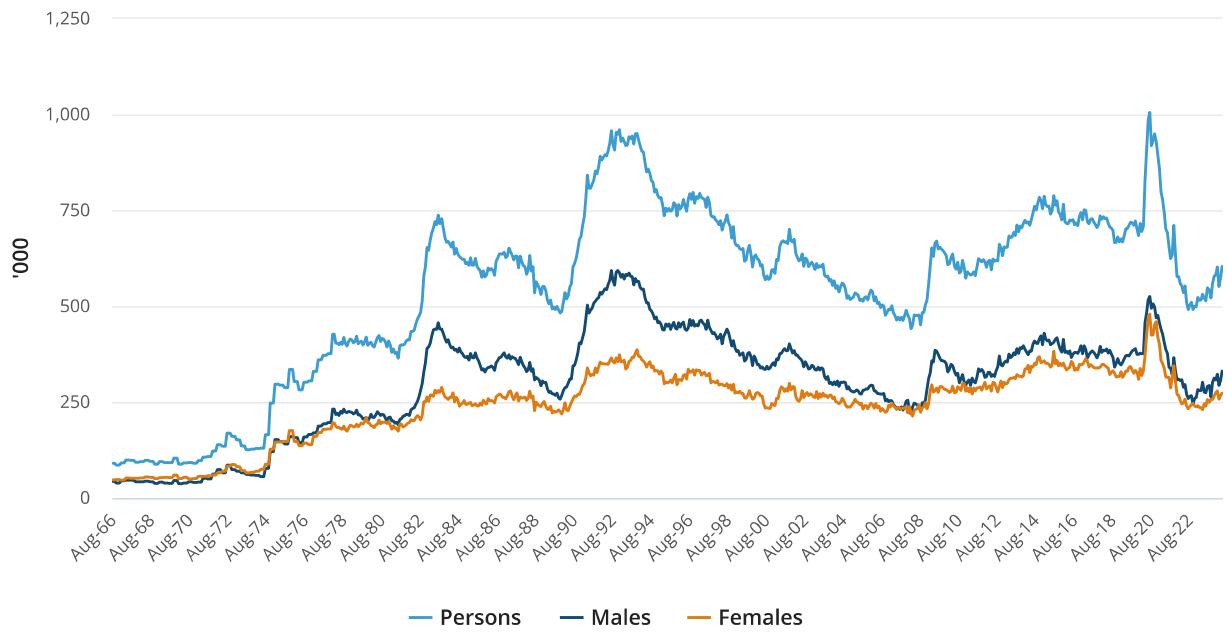


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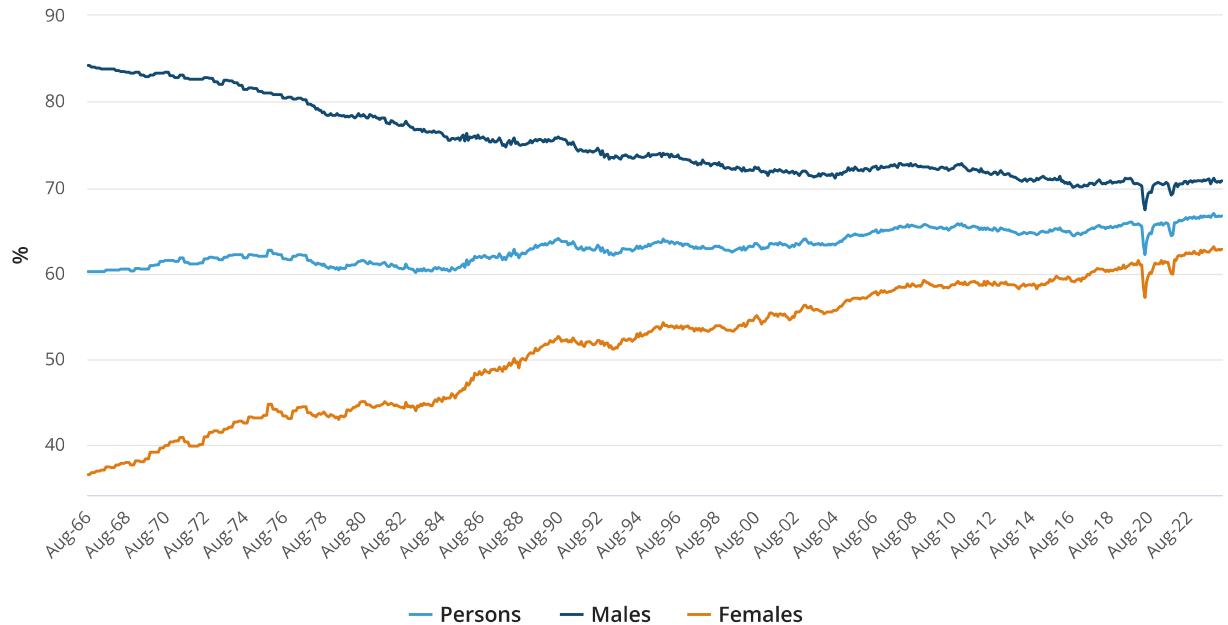


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Participation rate, Australia, August 1966 to April 2024, Seasonally adjusted



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Rotation group analysis

Sample composition and rotation

The Labour Force Survey sample can be thought of as comprising eight sub-samples (rotation groups), with each sub-sample remaining in the survey for eight months, and one group "rotating out" each month and being replaced by a new group "rotating in". As seven-eighths of the sample are common from one month to the next, changes in the estimates reflect real changes in the labour market, rather than changes in the sample. The replacement sample is generally selected from the same geographic areas as the outgoing one, as part of a representative sampling approach.

The sample comprises three components:

- the matched common sample (people who responded in both the current month and previous month)
- the unmatched common sample (people who responded in the current month but who did not respond in the previous month, or vice versa)
- the incoming rotation group (replacing people who rotated out)

The matched common sample describes the change observed for the same respondents in the current and previous month, while the other two components reflect differences between the aggregate labour force status of different

groups of people.

While the rotation groups are designed to be representative of the population, the outgoing and incoming rotation groups will almost always have somewhat different characteristics, as they reflect different households and people. The design of the survey, including the weighting and estimation processes, ensures that these differences are generally relatively minor and do not affect the representativeness of the survey and its estimates. Monthly estimates are designed to be representative, regardless of the relative contribution of the three components of the sample.

The contributions of the three sample components to the original estimates of employed, unemployed and not in the labour force are in the Contribution from sample components to estimates spreadsheet.

Estimates for the incoming and outgoing rotation groups

Incoming and outgoing rotation groups

| | March outgoing rotation group | April incoming rotation group | April outgoing rotation group | April estimate (Original) |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Employment to population ratio | 64.1% | 64.0% | 64.2% | 64.9% |
| Full-time employment to population ratio | 43.8% | 44.0% | 43.7% | 44.5% |
| Unemployment rate | 4.4% | 5.0% | 4.2% | 4.1% |
| Participation rate | 67.0% | 67.3% | 67.0% | 67.0% |

States and Territories

In addition to analysis across the entire sample, the ABS also undertakes similar analysis for the responding sample in each state and territory each month, and highlights where there is a notable change for users to be aware of. For example, in April 2024, the incoming rotation group in Western Australia had a lower employment-to-population ratio and participation rate than the group it replaced. As with any notable month-to-month movement of this nature in state and territory estimates, the ABS recommends exercising a degree of caution in interpreting short-term changes.

As for its reporting for the entire sample, where the ABS has not highlighted a notable incoming rotation group effect, any larger changes should therefore be considered to reflect a broader change across the sample.



Comparability with seasonally adjusted and trend data

The gross flows and rotation group data are in original terms only, and are included to provide additional information on the month-to-month movements. They have a considerable level of inherent sampling variability, which is specifically adjusted for in the trend and seasonally adjusted series. The trend data provides the best measure of the underlying behaviour of the labour market and is the focus of the commentary in this publication.

Contribution from sample components to estimates

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Data downloads

Labour Force Survey results are released in three stages.

1. Spreadsheets of the headline indicators are published in this release
2. Additional, more detailed spreadsheets and pivot tables are published in [Labour Force, Australia, Detailed \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/latest-release\)](#) one week after this first release
3. Longitudinal labour force microdata are released in the ABS DataLab on a monthly basis, one day after the detailed release (see [Microdata: Longitudinal Labour Force, Australia \(/statistics/microdata-tablebuilder/available-microdata-tablebuilder/longitudinal-labour-force-australia\)](#).)

See the [Survey output \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/apr-2024#survey-output\)](#) section of Labour Force, Australia methodology for more information.

Labour Force status

Table 1. Labour force status by Sex, Australia - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 4. Labour force status by Sex, New South Wales - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 5. Labour force status by Sex, Victoria - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 6. Labour force status by Sex, Queensland - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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Table 7. Labour force status by Sex, South Australia - Trend, Seasonally adjusted and Original

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